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COUNTRY	Soviet Zone of Germany	REPORT NO.
TOPIC STAARKEN Airfield		
EVALUATION	25X1	PLACE OBTAINED 25X1
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25X1 1. Between 10 and 11 a.m., six twin-engine aircraft coming from the south landed at the STAARKEN (N 53/2 65) airfield. The planes were refueled from tank trucks on the northwest section of the field. Three of the aircraft taxied toward the flight control station and the others took off heading south. The hangars were closed. No other parked aircraft were seen. There was no motor vehicle traffic.

2. Description of aircraft:

25X1 Low-wing monoplane, radial engine, four-bladed propeller, tapering leading edge of wings, single rudder assembly straight at the rear but fairing into fuselage to the fore, landing gear retracting into engine nacelle, tail wheel, cockpit in clearly visible step closely aft of nose, no armament, a horizontal duct, about 4 inches long and 3 mm in diameter, fixed to a 4-inch rod shortly aft of pilot seat, aft of it antenna rod, about 20 inches high, and without antenna (observation made from a distance of 160 feet). The plane was painted dark brown.

25X1 Comment:

25X1 The occupation of the field by twin-engine aircraft is confirmed

25X1 The description in para 2 is correct for the LI-2s. It was observed for the first time that the aircraft had a four-bladed propeller.

25X1 The planes are probably assigned to a transport or courier unit

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